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APPLICANTS : Steve Wren  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

SIR:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application the Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 20-29 and add new claims 30-76 as follows:

30. (New) An apparatus to market and sell goods and/or services over an electronic network comprising:

a computerized central communications facility adapted to be coupled to a plurality of other computerized central communications facilities and to a network, each of said computerized central communications facilities having information relating to goods and/or services stored in a database, and each of said computerized communications facilities having a processor programmed to:

receive from a customer located at a computerized remote facility a request to search in the database at the computerized central communications facility for information of interest;